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Indiana energy grants awarded to local businesses and communities

INDIANAPOLIS – Today the [Indiana Office of Energy Development \(OED\)](#) announced nearly \$270,000 from the [Wastewater Treatment Plant \(WTP\)](#) and [Indiana Solar Thermal Water Heater \(ISTWH\)](#) grants have been awarded to four Indiana communities and businesses.

“These grants support Governor Pence’s all-the-above approach to energy by spurring growth and employment in Indiana,” said Tristan Vance, OED Director. “Through these programs we are able to save energy, reduce costs, and improve our state’s economic competitiveness.”

WTP grants offered up to \$100,000 to each grantee for the installation of efficient equipment and processes, anaerobic digesters, or waste-heat recovery equipment. By reducing the energy demand and recovering wasted heat, WTPs can alleviate the impact of rising energy rates on Hoosiers.

Grantee	Award Amount
Town of Nashville	\$32,388.04
Marion Utilities	\$100,000.00
City of Kokomo	\$100,000.00

The ISTWH grant program helps food and beverage processors purchase solar hot water heaters to lower energy bills and diversify energy resources. By diversifying energy sources, Indiana processors may reduce their exposure to energy price shocks and provide long-term certainty regarding the cost of operations. Helping control the costs for large water users will support the growth of Indiana's agribusinesses to grow and thrive.

Grantee	Award Amount
Minnich Poultry	\$37,379.50

The total annual savings from both grants is estimated to be \$125,000.

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